


Saturday: WWI Monument Dedication and Dover Veterans' Parade

DOVER – The Delaware General Assembly, the Delaware Commission of Veterans Affairs and the Delaware Heritage Commission will unveil a new monument this weekend honoring Delawareans who served in World War I and those who supported them on the home front. The monument will be installed on the grounds of Legislative Hall and dedicated with a special ceremony at noon on Saturday, Nov. 4.

Throughout the United States' engagement in World War I, some 9,000 Delawareans served overseas in the U.S. Army, Navy and Marine Corps. Of that number, 43 Delawareans were killed in action and 188 were wounded. Many more succumbed to the great influenza epidemic of 1918-1919, bringing the total number of Delaware service personnel lost during the war to 270.

**HELP US HONOR THE WORLD WAR I
GENERATION AT LEGISLATIVE HALL,
SATURDAY, NOV. 4, 2017.**

*Join us for the
dedication of a
Delaware World
War I Memorial
on Saturday,
Nov. 4,
at 12:00 p.m.*



"Over the Top" by James Montgomery Flax (1918).
PMLA from the Delaware National Guard collection of World War I art.

The Delaware General Assembly, the Delaware Department of State, and the Delaware Veterans Commission invite you to attend dedication ceremonies for a new memorial on the south side of the Legislative Hall grounds honoring those Delawareans who served during World War I and those who supported them on the home front. The ceremony follows a Veterans Parade through downtown Dover that kicks off at 9:00 a.m. Parking is available all around Legislative Hall, which sits on Legislative Avenue between Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard North and South. Refreshments will follow the ceremony at the Delaware Public Archives adjacent to Legislative Hall.

For further information, please call (302) 744-4114
or email: Legislative.Council@state.de.us.

The monument ceremony will follow a veterans' parade through downtown Dover, featuring the First State Corvette Club,

Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club, cadets of the First State Military Academy, the Dover High School Band as well as local veterans' groups. Those interested in participating may call (302) 739-2792 or email sable.vance@delaware.gov for more information.

What:

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Who:

Gov. John Carney

Secretary of State Jeffrey Bullock

Brig. Gen. Kennard Wiggins Jr. (Del. National Guard, Ret.)

Maj. Gen. Francis A. Ianni (Del. National Guard, Ret.)

Sen. David McBride, President Pro Tempore

Rep. Peter Schwartzkopf, Speaker of the House

Sens. Bruce Ennis and Colin Bonini

Rep. Earl Jaques

Representatives of the Delaware Commission of Veterans Affairs; the Delaware National Guard; Disabled American Veterans; Gold Star Families; and others

When:

Parade – 9 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 4

Monument Dedication – Noon, Saturday, Nov. 4

Where:

The parade will begin at the west end of Loockerman St. and progress through downtown Dover to Legislative Mall.

The monument dedication will take place on the grounds of Legislative Hall, near the corner of Legislative Ave. and Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. South.